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Attention: Patent Examiner Alvin J. Grant
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Dear Examiner Grant,

Thanks for speaking with us. Please accept and enter to record my following response as a complete response to your action dated 11/12/04 concerning my pending utility patent application
10/772,598 art unit 3723.

(1) As to your #1 - #3; the abstract, the specifications and the claims; I have responded to all the recommend changes and corrections you mentioned.

(2) As to #4 through #14; I herein disagree. As per Claims rejections 35 USC #112
(a) item 7 denotes ½ of an inch (not %)
(b) Item 8 terms approximately could be eliminated

(3) As per claim rejections 35 USC 102 and 103,

Lind design has a strap involving gripping strap compared to my design with Velcro strap which gives perfect grip and fits any jar top. I believe there is a fundamental difference in the structure.

(4) I wish the examiner to activate act 707.07 (j). I have signed said documentation and it was included I my original paper work when I filed said application

NOTE:

“Request Under MPEP § 707.07(j): The undersigned, a pro-se applicant, respectfully requests that if the Examiner finds patentable subject matter disclosed in this application, but feels that Applicant's present claims are not entirely suitable, the Examiner draft one or more allowable claims for applicant.”

Thanks for your help with my application.

Sincere Regards,

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